



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1366

January Session, 2001

***AN ACT CONCERNING AN ARTICULATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CONSTITUENT UNITS OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER
EDUCATION.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (a) On or before June 1, 2002, the Department of
2 Higher Education, in collaboration with the Department of Education
3 and the boards of trustees of the constituent units of higher education,
4 shall establish articulation agreements that: (1) Expand the nurse
5 educational mobility programs to (A) licensed practical nurse
6 programs, (B) the regional vocational-technical schools, and (C) high
7 schools in different regions of the state; (2) (A) ensure students
8 enrolled in associate degree programs in business in the community-
9 technical colleges are able to continue their studies at Central
10 Connecticut State University and at Southern Connecticut State
11 University, and (B) create a career ladder for business students in the
12 regional vocational-technical schools and high schools in different
13 regions of the state; (3) establish a joint program for educational
14 interpreters in which students with an associate degree in interpreting
15 from Northwest Connecticut Community College are able to complete
16 a baccalaureate degree in communications at Western Connecticut
17 State University; and (4) facilitate the transfer of students from selected
18 professional associate degree programs at the community-technical
19 colleges to the School of Arts and Sciences at Eastern Connecticut State
20 University, Southern Connecticut State University and Western

21 Connecticut State University.

22 (b) On or before June 1, 2003, the Department of Higher Education,
23 in collaboration with the Department of Education and the boards of
24 trustees of the constituent units of higher education, shall establish
25 articulation agreements that ensure: (1) All programs for which
26 students have received workforce development scholarships,
27 including, but not limited to, the Connecticut information technology
28 scholarships and Connecticut critical workforce needs scholarships
29 during the three-year period prior to the effective date of this act, have
30 career ladders linking junior and senior years at the regional
31 vocational-technical schools and at high schools in different regions of
32 the state to the community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State
33 University System and The University of Connecticut; and (2) all
34 course credits offered at the community-technical colleges are accepted
35 at two or more Connecticut State Universities.

36 (c) On or before June 1, 2004, the Department of Higher Education,
37 in collaboration with the boards of trustees of the constituent units of
38 higher education, shall ensure that academic programs at public
39 institutions of higher education identified by the Labor Commissioner
40 and the Office of Workforce Competitiveness as addressing a
41 workforce shortage area are included in articulation agreements.

42 (d) On or before June 1, 2005, the Department of Higher Education,
43 in collaboration with the Board of Trustees for the Community-
44 Technical Colleges and the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State
45 University System shall ensure that there are articulation agreements
46 between all the community-technical college programs and two or
47 more Connecticut State Universities.

48 (e) On or before June 1, 2006, the Department of Higher Education,
49 in collaboration with the Department of Education and the Board of
50 Trustees for the Community-Technical Colleges, shall ensure that there
51 are articulation agreements between all the regional vocational-
52 technical schools, high schools in different regions of the state and the

53 community-technical colleges.

54 Sec. 2. (NEW) The Department of Higher Education, in collaboration
55 with the Department of Education and the boards of trustees of the
56 constituent units of higher education, shall report, in accordance with
57 section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committee of
58 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
59 education and the select committee of the General Assembly having
60 cognizance of matters relating to workforce development on all
61 articulation agreements involving higher education institutions and
62 any progress made on the establishment of additional agreements by
63 July 1, 2002, and annually thereafter.

64 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect from its passage.

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